Public Chapter 221

SENATE BILL NO. 1620

By Leatherwood, Fowler, Crutchfield

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1592

By Kernell

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections 68-211-802(a)(16) and 68-211-825(a), relative to recycling.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-211-802(a)(16), is amended by deleting the language of that subdivision and substituting instead the following:
 - (16) "Recycling" means the process by which recovered materials are transformed into new products, including the collection, separation, processing, and reuse of recovered materials either directly or as raw materials for the manufacture of new products.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-211-825(a), is amended by adding the following language after the second sentence of that subsection:

No grant shall be awarded for the purchase of mechanical processing equipment to be used at a public or not-for-profit recycling collection site if there is adequate mechanical processing equipment at privately-owned facilities which serve the relevant geographical area, unless the grant applicant demonstrates to the department's satisfaction that the mechanical processing equipment is an indispensable component of an otherwise eligible grant project and will not be used to compete with a privately-owned facility.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.